

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 3358

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served June 16, 1989

Application of SUGGS TRANSPORTATION)
SERVICES, INC., for a Certificate)
Authorizing Charter Operations)

Case No. AP-89-29

By application filed May 16, 1989, Suggs Transportation Services, Inc. (applicant), seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity to transport passengers, together with baggage in the same vehicle as passengers, in for-hire charter operations between points in the Metropolitan District, except transportation solely within the Commonwealth of Virginia. [See Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 1(b).] The proposed service would be restricted to transportation in vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 26 passengers or less, including the driver. Applicant is WMATC Carrier No. 79, holding a number of Special Authorizations pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 70 to conduct charter operations pursuant to contracts with various organizations.

Applicant's proposed tariff shows group charter rates as follows:

<u>Seating Capacity of Vehicle</u>	<u>Rates Per Hour</u>
26 Passengers (Minibus) Minimum - 4 Hours	\$40.00
15 Passenger (Van) Minimum - 4 Hours	\$34.50
4-7 Passengers Minimum - 3 Hours	\$57.50
4-6 Passengers (Sedan) Minimum - 4 Hours	\$27.50

Applicant's equipment list shows six 26-passenger minibuses, twenty-five 15-passenger vans, two 4 to 7-passenger stretch limousines, and four 4 to 6-passenger sedans. Applicant also submitted a balance sheet as of March 31, 1989, and a statement of revenues and expenses for the three months ended March 31, 1989. Applicant failed to submit the required projection of revenues and expenses to be generated by the proposed operations and will be directed to do so.

Pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 4(b) of the Compact, this application will be scheduled for public hearing to determine if applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform the proposed service

properly and comply with the Compact and the Commission's rules and regulations and to determine whether the public convenience and necessity require the proposed service. Applicant will be assessed an amount preliminarily estimated to cover the hearing expenses applicant is required to bear pursuant to the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 19.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That a public hearing in Case No. AP-89-29 is hereby scheduled to commence Tuesday, August 1, 1989, at 9:30 a.m. in the Hearing Room of the Commission, 1828 L Street, N.W., Suite 703, Washington, DC 20036-5104.

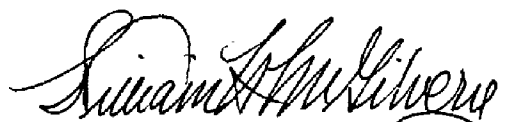
2. That Suggs Transportation Services, Inc., shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District and shall post continuously and conspicuously in each of its vehicles through the date of public hearing, notice of this application and the hearing thereon in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Friday, June 30, 1989, and shall present at hearing affidavits of posting and publication.

3. That any person desiring to protest this application shall do so in accordance with Commission Rule No. 14, or any person desiring to be heard on these matters shall so notify the Commission, in writing, no later than Friday, July 21, 1989, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or notice on applicant's counsel, L. A. Jaskiewicz, Esquire, 1730 M Street, N.W., Suite 501, Washington, DC 20036-4579.

4. That Suggs Transportation Services, Inc., is hereby assessed \$500 pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact and is directed to deliver said amount to the office of the Commission, 1828 L Street, N.W., Suite 703, Washington, DC 20036-5104, no later than Friday, July 21, 1989.

5. That Suggs Transportation Services, Inc., is hereby directed to file with the Commission no later than Friday, July 21, 1989, an original and four copies of a projection of revenues and expenses to be generated by the proposed operations for a future annual period.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


William H. McGilvery
Executive Director